

EVANGELIST SUNDAY EXCORIATES HUNS AT HAMMOND

FRANCO-BRITISH LINE IN FLANDERS IS BROKEN

SITUATION
REGARDED
AS SERIOUS

Hun Hordes Cross Kemmel-Ypres Road. Fall of Ypres is Now Expected.

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]
WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FLANDERS, April 26.—French troops are entirely surrounded on Mount Kemmel. They are still fighting. After eight hours fighting yesterday, German storm troops wedged their way between the French and British ranks and crossed the Kemmel-Ypres roads.

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]
BY HENRY WOODY.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN THE FIELD, April 26.—The Germans are continuing the development of their assault against Amiens with increasing violence, aiming eventually at a separation of the Franco-British forces. This is an indication of Hindenburg's determination to force a supreme decisive battle which unquestionably has been induced by the fact that preceding the present attack the Germans already had engaged 130 divisions, 1,500,000 men, of which approximately 50 divisions were first or second class. The German drive toward Amiens is increasing. In the meantime the allies have had time to take the greatest defensive precautions. In consequence the victorious outcome is likely to rest with the side having the best generalship, the most munitions and the most reserves. As the result of unifying the allied command, Foch is consistently opposing the present attack as heretofore with the minimum forces necessary, preferring to lose ground rather than to uselessly sacrifice his reserves. The two preceding German drives lasted ten days each with five day intervals for organizing but it is considered doubtful that the Germans with their limited number of fresh divisions left from violence can exceed the precedents.

War Review

Severe infantry and artillery fighting progressed on practically the entire northern battle area. Field Marshal Haig's report indicated today, while the operations on the British front in Picardy are limited to local actions and cannonading. On the northern edge of the Flanders battle front the Germans obtained a footing on Mount Kemmel.

This was the culmination of an all day fighting. Between Baillet and Hollebeke, Kemmel is about four miles northeast of Baillet and seven miles south and west of Ypres. If the enemy completely established themselves on this height the British must defend Ypres from the south on low flat land. Haig conducted a successful minor operation on the extreme western end of the northern battle front, west of Merville. On the southwestern sector of the Flanders theater the German are heavily shelling the British positions on the ten mile front between Givency and the Lys river.

FRENCH ARE
SURROUNDED

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]
LONDON, April 26.—German forces have obtained a footing on Mount Kemmel, one of the most important heights in Flanders following an all day battle on a ten-mile front. Field Marshal Haig reported today.

"After severe fighting throughout the day on the Baillet-Hollebeke sector, the enemy obtained a footing on Kemmel Hill," Haig said. "The allies have ground before superior forces. Fighting still continues in the neighborhood of Drunoutre, Kemmel and Verstout. A successful minor operation west of Merville resulted in the capture of fifty enemy prisoners and three machine guns.

"From the Lys to Givency there is hostile artillery firing. South of the Somme hostile posts holding positions southeast of Villers-Bretonneux were cleaned out. The enemy's artillery is active and is using gas shells."

EXTRA

HUNS GET KEMMEL

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]
LONDON, April 26.—The Germans have occupied Mount Kemmel, according to the latest information received here. This information however is unofficial. It is 4 miles south and west of Ypres.

TURN VALLEY INTO HELL

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]
LONDON, April 26.—Although the Germans have reached the crest of the hill the remnants of the French garrison are still there. The French also hold the village.

In night fighting at Mt. Des Cats, five miles to the west, the French raked the slopes with machine guns and held out against terrible odds preferring death of capture. Today the German line apparently runs west of Kemmel but the ultimate winner is still a matter of doubt.

Similar fighting surged about Villers Bretonneux, the British fighting like lions, retaking the town, atop a ridge, much the same way as the Germans took Kemmel, working around the sides until it was surrounded.

In the Kemmel fighting the Anglo-French made a savage counter attack, both allied flanks enfiling Von Eberhardt's Alpines, turning the green flowered fields of the valley into a sizzling hell. The Germans paid dearly for their gain.

YPRES STILL IN
BRITISH HANDS

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]
LONDON, April 26.—The Germans have advanced two thousand yards on a 1,200 yard front in the Kemmel sector, capturing the "very important ground of Kemmel Hill," Major General Radcliff, director of military operations, announced this afternoon.

"It is possible to hold Ypres even with the enemy on Mount Kemmel," Radcliff declared, "but it will be inconvenient and we hope to get him off."

"In the Lys sector the net result of the engagement has been very satisfactory. As usual the Germans used a lot of troops with very heavy losses and gained absolutely nothing."

MICHIGAN CITY MAYOR
RUN OUT OF DISTRICT
ON ALIEN ENEMY CHARGE

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Frederick C. Miller, Mayor of Michigan City, Ind., who was arrested as an alien enemy when he came here Tuesday on prospects of the completing his naturalization as an American citizen, was released last night.

Mayor Miller was accompanied out of the District of Columbia by Justice Department officials. It was stated officially that, since Miller was registered as an alien, he had technically violated the law in coming into the district, but had not done so with any intention of wrong-doing.

MANY ARRESTS FOR
DRUNKENNESS

More Men But Fewer Women Fall by the Wayside in Hammond.

There were nine men arrested in Hammond last night by the police. Captain Hanlon states that there have been over three times as many arrests for drunkenness since the state went dry as before, but on the other hand, Mrs. Myrtle Pfeiffer says that she has not had one woman in the station who was drunk since the saloons have been closed. A big change has come about in Hammond. There are literally hundreds of young men now who go down West state street into West Hammond every night where wine and women reign. Many of them come back drunk.

WAR CHEST
MOVEMENT
IS PROBABLE

E. W. Wickey of East Chicago has just returned from Indianapolis where he was in attendance at the meeting of the State Council of Defense which took into consideration the matter of a state-wide campaign to provide a war chest for the various counties and municipalities.

This matter was very thoroughly investigated and although formal action in the matter recommending the plan will be delayed for a time, yet Mr. Wickey believes that the State Council of Defense are favoring this movement.

The plan is to specify some period of time consisting of a week or ten days and recommend to all parties of the state that a plan be taken up which will provide funds for all campaigns except the Liberty loan and war stamps during the continuance of the war.

This matter has been considered at various times by cities of Lake county and this region will doubtless fall in line in such a campaign if a state wide movement is brought about.

—BY A LIBERTY BOND TODAY—

GERMAN PAPER IS
COMPELLED TO QUIT

Business Men of Evansville Force Demokrat to Quit Publication.

EVANSVILLE, IND., April 26.—The German Demokrat here will suspend publication within a month as a result of an indignation meeting of 200 business men here yesterday afternoon in which Fred Lauenstein, publisher, was censured and the suppression of the paper demanded. The Demokrat has been published for fifty-four years.

The German Demokrat came under fire when advertisements appeared advising the German-reading resident of the city and county to support the paper "because it unswervingly supports 'Deutschum' and its holy rights," and urging the readers to buy their goods of advertisers in the paper "who thus show they want the trade of the German-Americans even during this war."

W. E. Stuebel led the attack at the meeting. He demanded suppression of the paper, saying: "We can not permit anything or anybody to place an obstacle in the path of our boys in France." He declared that Lauenstein's wife, who is Indiana chairman for the counties in the Eighth District in the Liberty Loan campaign, is "doing all she can to aid our boys who are fighting while you are doing all you can to hurt them."

He supports "Deutschum." Lauenstein replied, claiming "Deutschum" means "German character," "German manners" or "German customs," and not Germanism or German patriotism. The men present saw no difference and proclaimed it with jeers. He said the advertisements were "filthy" for the paper and that their wording had not been changed since 1915.

Lauenstein said he would suspend publication of the paper, but was inclined to fight the proposition that the paper should suspend because of disloyalty, declaring it has not been disloyal and that it has abetted the government in all important war work. The meeting accepted his agreement to suspend publication "because the Demokrat is printed in the German language."

—BY A LIBERTY BOND TODAY—

BUY COAL NOW OR
SUFFER LATER ON

Fuel Head Urges Consumers To Stock Up Now As Supply Is Very Low.

"There is absolutely only one way to avoid the grief and hardships of a coal famine and that is for every consumer who is financially able to immediately make such arrangements as possible to get coal in storage during the next four months."

This assertion is the keynote of the argument presented in support of a resolution urging every consumer of coal, steam and domestic, to place their orders for the next winter's fuel supply now, by Will J. Freeman, chairman of the coal production committee, to the Indiana state council of defense. The council adopted the resolution, which is in line with public pronouncements being made by the state and federal fuel administrators.

Mr. Freeman further called attention to the fact that the March coal supply at Indiana mines was lower than for January, during the severe blizzard. He said mines are working at but 60 per cent of their capacity, which renders it impossible to store up a surplus for emergency. In view of the coal situation, he added, there is no reason to expect coal shipments will increase later on.

—BY A LIBERTY BOND TODAY—

Bonds safeguard your national and financial future—buy them.

Every bond sold means a new nail driven in the Kaiser's coffin.

LIBERTY-
VICTORY
PARADE

Countless Thousands March Though Skies Are Overcast—Streets of City Are Jammed With Visitors.

A meeting of the stock holders of the patriotic corporation of Lake county which has loaned the United States government \$5,000,000 within the last three weeks and stands ready to give millions more, was held today at Hammond.

These bond holders of the third liberty loan came streaming into Hammond on trains, interurbans, street cars, by automobiles and even on foot this afternoon to participate in one of the greatest parades the county has ever held—if not the greatest.

Throughout the morning a drizzling rain which started yesterday afternoon continued to threaten with laden skies the attendance was perhaps cut to a third of what it would have been with sunshine and spring warmth.

At 2 o'clock the streets were crowded from Harrison Park to State and Hohmann streets along the line of march. Sixteen towns and cities of Lake county occupied sections of the parade and many were led by their own bands. Gary and East Chicago were well represented and the police of those cities aided the Hammond police in handling the crowds.

It was the first get-together demonstration of all Lake county in years. The towns and cities were united for one common cause—doubling the Liberty Loan quota and showing the unfaltering patriotism of the great industrial region.

West Hammond and Hammond school children participated and most of the industries of the two cities were represented by their employees in the line of march.

The day was dark and dreary but the spirit of the people refused to lower. Gott wasn't on the parade on the Huns after all, for as the parade got started, Old Sol's smiling face appeared and warmed and cheered the hearts of all. This evening at Liberty Hall County Chairman Hay will preside at a meeting in which all towns and cities of the county will report on what they have accomplished in the Third Liberty Loan.

With the Jackies' band and drill corps from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station in the lead the parade started at 2 o'clock and concluded shortly before 2. Marshals instructed the men on the side, viewing the parade to raise their hats whenever the colors passed and they stood bareheaded for the most part as the parade was a mass of flags.

Crown Point, St. John, Dyer, Schererville, Hobart, East Chicago, Gary, Miller, Highland, Munster and other Lake county towns passed in review. The British tank, a battle ship, and a miniature railroad engine were features. The engine was a part of the big Indiana Harbor Belt Railway portion of the parade and carried the announcement that the I. H. B. had 2,000 subscribers and \$115,000 for the Third Liberty Loan.

The Red Cross in costume carried a great sheet in which money was thrown. The Masonic drum, bugle and drill corps was in the parade. The schools, both public and parochial made a splendid showing.

After the parade the Jackie's band gave a concert in front of the temple.

—BY A LIBERTY BOND TODAY—

SPISAK WINS RACE

John Spisak, the Whiting, Ind. roller skating champion, skated against "Crazy Ike" on a motorcycle at the Indiana Gardens rink at Robertsdale last night, defeating the motorcyclist by almost two laps in a two mile race. The novelty race was attended by a large and enthusiastic crowd. The time made by Spisak was 7 minutes and 20 seconds.

Mike Hlavach, the Robertsdale champion, captured the one mile event among a field of contestants. The time was 3 minutes and 55 seconds. Young Canner again captured the Skate boys race in the exceptional time of 4 minutes flat. Canner has been showing such fine racing form that he is to be put in the class B events in the future.

—BY A LIBERTY BOND TODAY—

BOYS ARE REPRIMANDED

When members of the Central fire department No. 1, responded to a call at Hohmann and Conkey avenue in Hammond yesterday afternoon, instead of a fire they found seven small boys, two of whom had taken part in turning in the alarm.

Chief Nill took the boys to the police station where they admitted turning in the alarm. They were all South Chicago boys having come to Hammond to attend a funeral. After being reprimanded they were released and sent home.

—BY A LIBERTY BOND TODAY—

ARREST AT GARY

The first arrest in Gary for violation of the new dry law was made last night when John Priselac, 1700 Delaware street, was taken into custody. Priselac conducted a saloon until April 2. He gave bond for his release.

Billy Sunday Who Flayed the
Kaiser Today In HammondLatest
Bulletins

[BY UNITED PRESS.]
WASHINGTON, April 26.—Army men viewed the north end of the western front line today as presenting more dangerous elements than the struggle in the Amiens sector.

Reinforcements sufficiently strong apparently have been thrown into the Amiens battle but there appeared to be more weakness in the British front to the north. Recapture of Villers-Bretonneux by the English and Australians showed that the Germans had only a slim grasp on it but it is likely there will be further bloody fighting there and it is possible that it will change hands more than once again.

[BY UNITED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, April 26.—American aviators in France have downed 339 enemy planes from the time the United States entered the war up to March 8, 1918, according to unofficial reports from France.

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]

ROME, April 26.—Mount Stromboli is in violent eruption. Falling lava has set fire to vineyards and it is believed some lives have been lost.

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]

MOSCOW, April 26.—The Germans are steadily withdrawing troops and sending them to France. Polish citizens refuse to enlist in a proposed Polish corps.

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.]

COPENHAGEN, April 26.—A British airman bombed Esbjerg mole while the Kaiser was inspecting the results of the recent raid there.

[BY UNITED PRESS.]

NEW YORK, April 26.—An ash port carelessly left open was believed today to have flooded the American liner St. Paul, sinking her at her pier. However, no official announcement as to the cause of the accident which probably cost three lives has been made. Work of raising the vessels was progressing rapidly today.

Meanwhile an investigation to place the responsibility of the sinking is being conducted by army men.

BY FRANK J. TAYLOR.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN LORRAINE, April 25. (Night).—A French general will decorate with the French war cross the colors of the American regiment which defeated the five-day attack by picked German northwest of Toul two weeks ago. Individual members also will be decorated. The citations and ceremony are scheduled for Sunday. This is the first time an American regiment has received the French war cross.

[BY UNITED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Nine killed in action, five dead of wounds, three from disease, thirty-three wounded severely and twenty-five wounded slightly, were reported in today's casualty lists from General Pershing.

GERMANY
OUTLAW
AMONG
NATIONS

Famous Evangelist Before 5,000 People at Hammond Tears Hide off the Kaiser.

Billy Sunday, the famous evangelist, before a crowd of 5,000 madly enthusiastic Hun-haters in Hammond's great Liberty Hall this morning literally walloped the everlasting daylight out of the Kaiser. He skinned the Germans alive and flayed Prussiaism as only Sunday can. His excoriation was a masterpiece.

Yankee soldiers with their ginger, pep, tabasco and jazz will make that God-forsaken, good-for-nothing skunk, the Kaiser, and the hot-dog, sauerkraut, pretzel crowd sorry they turned the German eagle into a puking buzzard and made the real Hell look like a side-show.

USHERS IN CELEBRATION.
That is a composite sentence of invectives by the inimitable Rev. William A. Sunday, who ushered in Lake County's Liberty Day celebration at Hammond with a violent denunciation of the war lord of Germany, speaking to more than 5,000 people in Liberty Hall at ten o'clock.

Hundreds who sought to see and hear Billy Sunday were turned away after 2:45 when the tabernacle was filled to every nook and cranny with more than a thousand standing packed in the aisles and along the walls.

THE AUDIENCE READY FOR HIM.

It was an audience waiting to laugh, cheer and get hot under the collar with the famous evangelist who came to Hammond to give the Kaiser Hell. Billy, appearing tired and worn from his strenuous Chicago campaign, threw aside fatigue and plunged into his talk, announcing the text as taken from a message of President Wilson to congress, as follows: "There was but one choice and that was to make war."

A sea of upturned eager faces greeted Sunday. Mill workers from East Chicago and Gary, farmers and their wives from Lowell and Crown Point, men and women of many religious faiths and various nationalities were there, anxious to hear the widely advertised Kites-batter and his oral artillery bombardment of Germany.

INTRODUCED BY SHARRER.

Rodcheaver, the trombonist and chorus leader, had concluded playing Dixie and Yankee Doodle and teaching the crowd to sing the "Brighten The Corner With Your Face" chorus. Brewster, the Sunday pianist, had demonstrated the volume of music it is possible to get from the instrument on which he is so proficient, and Dr. H. E. Sharrer, Hammond Liberty Loan chairman, had made a brief introduction.

Outside the crowd swelled about the great tabernacle, filling the streets and encircling the great tank that stood by the courthouse ready to crush over the streets in the monster parade. A corps of rifle men fired a salute. The Jackies band and drill corps were on their way to the temple.

BILLY HITS HOT CLIP.

And Billy Sunday launched with that appealing personality of his and dynamic power into a tirade of the world's greatest enemy and the devil's rival. He spoke for one hour and it seemed ten minutes to the rapt audience. The words fell from his lips at the rate of 200 a minute. At times he became almost inarticulate—as if the adjectives had become jammed in his throat.

Compared, however, to the emotional paroxysms he attains on revivals Sunday was reserved.

Billy and Ma Sunday had reached the hall just before ten o'clock in a limousine sent to get them. It was their first visit to Hammond in nineteen years when Sunday held a revival meeting in the Hohmann Opera House. Both Billy and Ma told the crowd about the former visit and Rodcheaver asked all those in the hall who had attended the meeting so many years ago to hold up their hands. More than a hundred people responded.

After the evangelist had concluded his address, Ma Sunday was called upon by Dr. Sharrer for a few words. She said: "I like you. I like the way you come out on a rainy morning. I like the way you built this hall and went over the top in the Liberty Loan the second time. When I was here nineteen years ago I had my little boy with me. He is now Lieut. Geo. Sunday of the United States army."

With the Jackies band playing in front of the hall and preparing to enter, Billy, Ma, Rody, Brewster and the other members of the Sunday party waved good-by amid cheers and re-entered the big limousine.

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